General News and Announcements

Meetings

This semester’s Department Meetings will be held 3:30-5:00. All meetings will be held in **Ritter Hall 222**.

Thursday November 3, 2011
Thursday, December 1, 2011

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- Televisión Española (TVE) is now available at the viewing stations in the LLC on channel 27. Requests for recording can be addressed to the front desk.

- The availability of Ritter Hall 331 might be disrupted the week of October 23 while new audio visual equipment is installed. While there are no scheduled classes on Monday or Tuesday due to fall break, there is a chance that work will continue through the end of the week.

Kudos

- Dr. Sandy Hamrick's essay, "Beyond Institutions: In Search of *le souffle moderne* in Gautier's *Salon de 1844*", has appeared in *Institutions and Power in Nineteenth-Century French Literature and Culture* (David Evans and Kate Griffiths, eds., Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2011), a collective volume on the impact of politics and the shifting power of regimes on the creative arts in 19th-century France.

- At a recent conference of the German Studies Association in Louisville, KY, Dr. Reinhard Andress functioned as commentator for a panel on "The Long Affair? The Impact of the Biermann Expatriation on East German Culture," and as moderator of a panel on "Plotting New Forces: Physics, Psychology, Philosophy."

- Dr. Jean-Louis Pautrot has been invited to serve as one of three evaluators for a curriculum review of the Foreign Language Department at Villa Duchesne High School. The review is taking place Oct 6-7 at the school.

- Dr. Oscar López was invited by the United States Probation Office Diversity Committee at the St Louis Courthouse to deliver a lecture on Stereotypes and Prejudices on Latin America. The event, which took place on September 26, was held by the U.S Probation Office in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month.
On September 19, Dr. Kara McBride gave the invited plenary speech, “Del otro lado de las fronteras: ¿Cómo se perciben los acentos del español como lengua extranjera?” (“From Across Borders: How are Spanish as a Foreign Language Accents Perceived?”) at the Segundas Jornadas Internacionales de Fonética y Fonología, or Second International Conference on Phonetics and Phonology. The conference took place at the National University of Córdoba in Córdoba, Argentina.

María Florencia Domínguez, director of the Area International Cooperation and Academic Exchange, and Dr. Kara McBride, at the Secretariat of Development and International Business at the Catholic University of Córdoba.